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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

John F. Blake

Deputy Director for Administration

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- After receiving your approval to proceed with the upgrading of the recreational and athletic facilities, we commenced developing the official paper work to task GSA to accomplish the work and to withdraw from the appropriate accounts the non-appropriated funds.
- 2. The work was planned on a three phase basis, Phase I to be funded with appropriated funds, Phase II to include the baseball and football fields from the Employees Activity Association funds, and Phase III, tennis courts, to be financed by the "club funds." OGC has interposed temporary objections on using any of the "club funds" for purposes of creating athletic or recreational activities. We are, therefore, estopped from proceeding with that part of the program. They are currently legally researching the issue. We have directed GSA to proceed with Phases I and II, and I will keep both you and Frank currently advised on OGC action on the Phase III undertaking.

/s/ Jack

John F. Blake

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EAA Contribution to Recreation and Athletic Facilities

1. The EAA was incorporated in the State of Virginia on 22 June 1964 with the stated purpose to:

"provide a comprehensive and balanced program of recreational, educational, welfare, philanthropic, social activities and all other activities for the general welfare of its members."

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2. On 31 December 1977, EAA had a total membership of The net gain for all EAA operations during 1976 was \$4,151.09. This gain resulted from membership fees, interest income, ticket sales, barbershop profits and EAA Store sales. The EAA budget for 1978 is \$17,065.57 and is broken down as follows among the four major activities:

\$11,454.00 Athletic

3,455.00 NPIC-Athletic

1,162.57 Social-Cultural

475.00 Special Events

200.00 Self-Improvement

3. The total assets of EAA on 31 December 1977 were a little over \$202,000; liabilities were about \$37,000 and the net worth was \$164,000. There were, however, outstanding obligations of \$23,000 for the EAA Store move and renovation and \$50,000 for construction of a recreation and athletic facility. When

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the \$44,000 in store inventory is also considered, there remains about \$47,000 in operating and interest producing capital.

4. While the above figures are the most recent, they are representative of the type of information available to the EAA Board when it met on 28 April 1977 to consider possible expenditures for recreation and athletic facilities. Logistics had estimated that a total facility would cost \$171,140 and would include the following:

5. There were conflicting requirements which the EAA?

Board had to face in considering possible expenditures for recreation and athletic facilities. First was the responsibility to provide a comprehensive and balanced program. The athletic program was certainly the largest and most active. During 1977 there were approximately 2,000 participants who played on 240 teams and were involved in over 1,400 separate games and matches. These participants represented about 43% of the

total membership. Their annual budgets, however, have exceeded 80% of total EAA grants because of the high cost of providing officials for the games. The Board remains concerned about the disproportionate share of expenditures for athletic activities as opposed to the other programs.

- 6. A second requirement was the need to maintain income. The EAA reserved provide a source of income in the form of interest which is used to help fund activities. While it is not considered desirable to accumulate large reserve, the amount retained serves a very useful purpose.
- 7. Another requirement was to provide for contingency expenses. In recent times EAA faced the possibility that it would have to pay the salaries of the four employees who serve in the EAA Coordinator's office and that it might have to pay rent for store and office space. It was determined that the coordinator activity is an appropriate Agency function for security and cover reasons but the space charge remains a possible additional expenditure.
- 8. After considering these factors, the EAA Board concluded that there was a need for additional recreation and athletic facilities and that up to \$50,000 of EAA reserves could be equitably used for this purpose without jeopardizing the the ability of/Association to meet its obligations to the

total membership. The Board considered the activities which would provide the most value for the greatest number of EAA members and approved the expenditure of up to \$50,000 for the following athletic facilities listed in order of preference:

Softball field
Football/soccer field
Basketball court
Volleyball equipment
Handball court

The Board did not believe it could justify to the entire membership allocation of substantial sums to tennis courts,

which could be used by only a limited number of members.

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